# TIPPECANOE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS REGULAR MEETING December 20, 2010

The Tippecanoe County Commissioners met on Monday, December 20, 2010 at 10:00 a. m. in the Tippecanoe Room in the County Office Building. Commissioners present were: President John L. Knochel, Vice President David S. Byers, and Commissioner Thomas P. Murtaugh. Also present were: Attorney David W. Luhman, Deputy Auditor Dawn Rivera, Commissioner's Assistant Frank Cederquist, and Secretary Kay Muse.

President Knochel called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### PRESENTATION OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE VOUCHERS

Commissioner's Assistant Frank Cederquist recommended approving accounts payable vouchers for December 8, 9, 12, 15, 16, 17, and 20, 2010 without exception.

• Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the account payable vouchers as presented, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

# OPENING OF BIDS - Fairgrounds, Cattle Barn Replacement Project

Attorney Luhman opened and read the following bids:

Sullivan Corporation	\$327,171.00
Myers Construction Inc.	\$376,000.00
Fairfield Contractors Inc.	\$322,973.00
Tecton & Tri-Tech	\$323,064.00

Attorney Luhman recommended the bids be taken under advisement.

• Commissioner Byers moved to take the Cattle Barn Replacement Bids under advisement as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

Commissioner Byers said construction at the Fairgrounds would include the removal of the two existing cattle barns, the wash-rack, and five trees. Existing water lines will need to be relocated, and a ditch and retention pond will be constructed on the property to accommodate run off. A metal building with a concrete floor and an indoor wash-rack will replace the old cattle barns. The indoor wash-rack will allow run-off to be directed to sewage lines.

#### HIGHWAY – Opal Kuhl

#### Awarding of Bids for 2011 Equipment Rental, and 2011 Gasoline and Diesel

Director Kuhl recommended approval of all three bids for equipment rental. Director Kuhl said whenever there is a need to rent equipment the company that submitted the lowest bid for that specific piece of equipment would be used. The following bids for equipment rental were submitted at the December 6, 2010 meeting.

# Equipment Rental

Milestone American Paving & Asphalt Reith-Riley Construction • Commissioner Byers moved to accept the three bids as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

Director Kuhl recommended approval of the low bid from Newton Oil Company for 2011 Gasoline & Diesel Fuel. She added Ceres was lower on one item however, it was for gasoline in remote site tanks. The highway department does use remote site tanks but the equipment that uses those sites are fueled by diesel fuel.

• Commissioner Byers moved to accept the bid from Newton Oil Company as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

#### **INDOT County Bridge Inspection Contract – Supplement #1**

Director Kuhl presented Supplement #1 to the County Bridge Inspection Contract. Director Kuhl said the County is now required to submit digital plans of all bridges. Since many of the older bridges are not in digital format they will need to be scanned. The contract is in the amount of \$15,960 for scanning costs. The County will only be responsible for 20% of the \$15,960.

• Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve Supplemental #1 as presented, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

#### Change Order #1 - Bridge U209

Director Kuhl presented Change Order #1, a decrease of \$1,000 for Bridge U209. It reflects the cost difference of recycled concrete in lieu of #53 stone. The #53 stone does meet INDOT requirements.

• Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve Change Order #1 for Bridge U209 as presented, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

#### Change Order #2 - Bridge U209

Director Kuhl presented Change Order #2 for Bridge U209. It is for clearing the right-of-way, and storm water requirements for silt fences needing to be placed around the project. Clearing will allow enough room to maintain the silt fence and grade slopes. It is an additional \$7,091.50.

• Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve Change Order #2 for Bridge U209 as presented, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

#### Maintenance Bond - Milestone Contractors, L.P.

Director Kuhl presented a \$5,000 Maintenance Bond from Milestone Contractors for work in the right-of way.

 Commissioner Byers moved to approve the Maintenance Bond as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

#### Warranty Deed - Cumberland Road Project, Parcel #8

Director Kuhl presented a Warranty Deed for Parcel #8 in the name of 52 & Cumberland Partnership in the amount of \$101,250 for approval. It is for the Cumberland Road Project.

 Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the Warranty Deed as presented, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

# PURDUE COOPERATIVE EXTENSION SERVICE – Bryan Metzger Contractual Services Agreement for County Extension Educators

Director Metzger presented the annual Service Agreement between Purdue University and Tippecanoe County. It is in the amount of \$187,035 and is unchanged from the previous two years. It is for the salary of five extension educators through December 31, 2011.

• Commissioner Byers moved to approve the Contractual Service Agreement as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

#### **GRANTS** – Laurie Wilson

Grant Facilitator Laurie Wilson requested permission to accept a Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) grant for \$82,262 from the Indiana Department of Homeland Security. It is for Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness training.

• Commissioner Byers moved to accept the grant as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

Grant Facilitator Laurie Wilson said to date the County has received and spent \$5,550,500. Additional grant dollars of \$6,171,800 have been granted, however it has not been spent at this time.

#### MITS/GIS - Mark Ehle

### Agreement with TeleAtlas

GIS Administrator Mark Ehle presented an agreement with TeleAtlas for the purchase of data. The data will be used to prepare a geographic database for digital maps. Attorney Luhman said he reviewed the agreement and it does contain a disclaimer stating that TeleAtlas cannot hold the County liable for any omissions or errors. The agreement also prevents TeleAtlas from selling the data to a third party. The cost to TeleAtlas is \$1,000.

• Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the agreement with TeleAtlas as presented, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

# COURT SERVICES & PROBATION – Lisa Smith, Kipp Scott

Chief Probation Officer Kipp Scott and Court Services Coordinator Lisa Smith presented a Collection Services Agreement with Sentinel Offender Service for approval. Sentinel Offender Service provides drug screening to clients when requested by Court Services or the Probation Department. Chief Probation Officer Scott said this agreement is a renewal but does include some changes. Sentinel will be moving from their current location into space within the Court Services offices. Some of the changes include extended hours to include weekends, additional testing at no extra cost, and Sentinel will be collecting fees directly from the offenders. The extended hours will allow drug screening on the weekends. President Knochel and Commissioner Murtaugh asked if the minimum number of 1100 drug screens per month could be lowered or omitted from the agreement, adding it is an item of concern. Chief Probation Officer Scott said that minimum number is unchanged from the current agreement, however he would make an inquiry to Sentinel asking if that minimum can be changed. Attorney Luhman said Court Services would need to obtain a letter of consent before signing a sub-lease with Sentinel. Commissioner Byers requested a letter of consent from the property owner stating they are aware and agree with Sentinel sub-leasing a portion of the Court Services' office space. Coordinator Smith went on to say one of the benefits with Sentinel is they have agreed not to bill Court Services for any uncollected fees.

Commissioner Byers suggested this item be put on the January 3, 2010 meeting to allow time to address these concerns.

• Commissioner Byers moved to table this item until January 3, 2010 meeting, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

# SHERIFF - Tracy Brown

#### **MAXIMUS Consulting Services Agreement**

Sheriff Tracy Brown presented an agreement with MAXIMUS Consulting Services for determining the actual cost of incarcerating inmates in the Tippecanoe County Jail. This will allow a look at some very complicated issues within the budget and help determine cost. It will also allow for setting a rate for the housing of federal inmates. The cost of the agreement is \$5,000 and will be paid from the Commissary fund if approved.

• Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the MAXIMUS Consulting Agreements as presented, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

#### **Enhanced 9-1-1- Services and Equipment Indigital Agreement**

Sheriff Tracy Brown said Tippecanoe County has been awarded a grant from the U.S. Department of Transportation. The grant will pay approximately fifty percent of the cost of the new 911 project. The agreement is in the amount of \$756,860 with INdigital Telecom. The County's portion will be met through user fees that have been collected for several years.

• Commissioner Murtaugh moved to approve the agreement with INdigital as presented, second by Commissioner Byers; motion carried.

# STRUCTUREPOINT CONTRACT - Wildcat Creek Solid Waste District Project

A contract was presented for a feasibility study to determine the best solution to the building issues at Wildcat Creek Solid Waste District. The contract is in an amount up to \$20,000 that would be paid from Wildcat Creek Solid Waste District's budget. They have \$270,000 set aside for this project. The facility will need to include a decontamination shower and meet OSHA or IDEM standards.

• Commissioner Byers moved to approve the contract as presented, second by Commissioner Murtaugh; motion carried.

#### **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

Commissioner Byers said that the TEMA board has met and narrowed the applications for the Director position to five applicants. If the position has not been filled by January 1, 2011, Sheriff Brown said he would cover that position until filled.

Commissioner Murtaugh said the second reading of the Wind Energy Conversion System ordinance would not be heard until January 3, 2011 or later. It will not be heard until the report from the consultant is received.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

None

None

#### PUBLIC COMMENT

Paul Wright, West Point, asked for clarification on the Wildcat Creek Solid Waste building. He voiced concern that it would create another issue similar to the TEMA equipment storage issue. Attorney Luhman said Wildcat Creek is a separate entity and the cost will come from dollars accumulated over time. Because they lease their facility from the County, the Commissioners have approved the feasibility study to determine the best way to provide the handling of those materials. In addition, to assure that if Wildcat Creek were to leave that location in the future the County would not be left with a problem. Mr. Wright said that as long as there is funding Wildcat Creek would continue to operate. The Solid Waste Districts have been given their own tax rate much like schools, and unless legislation is changed they will continue to operate.

Commissioner Byers moved to adjourn.

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David S. Byers, President

Thomas P. Murtaugh, Vice President

Hw C. Knochel

ATTEST:

Jennifer Weston, Auditor 12-20-2010